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have come on the mosquito has found his way over and infected the town.

I have been informed that the infection has passed quarantine at Linares, and that Monterey has now become infected.

Report from Vera Cruz—Yellow-fever statistics—A case on the British steamship Kassala.

Assistant Surgeon Goldberger reports, September 28 and October 5, 1903, as follows:

During the week ended September 26, 1903, there were officially reported 49 cases and 16 deaths from yellow fever.

The British steamer *Kassala* was partially fumigated by the Mexican authorities prior to her sailing for Mobile, one of the crew having developed yellow fever, which was probably contracted ashore.

During the week ended October 3, 1903, there were officially reported 45 cases and 9 deaths from yellow fever. During the month of September there were reported in all 190 cases and 58 deaths from this disease, which, compared with 249 cases and 84 deaths recorded in August, shows a decided improvement. This improvement will be better appreciated when it is remembered that, because of the sanitary campaign initiated the 1st of September under the direction of Dr. Narcise del Rio, many cases which before would have been unnoted were since that date unearthed and recorded by the sanitary agents under his direction.

NEW SOUTH WALES.

No plague rats found since August 15, 1903.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH,
Sydney, New South Wales, September 7, 1903.

SIR: Referring to your communication of the 5th instant stating that the port health officer at San Francisco had received information of existence of plague rats at Sydney, Brisbane, and Fremantle, I have the honor, by direction, to inform you in reply that vessels from Western Australia and Queensland are admitted without any special inspection with reference to plague at this port, those States having been recognized as clean by us from August 8 last.

2. As regards Sydney, I am to say that rats to a weekly number of about 500 have been examined in the departmental laboratories since May 12 last, on which date a plague rat was found; that a moderate number were found infected during subsequent early weeks following the date mentioned, and that no plague rat has been found since August 15 last.

I have the honor to be, sir, your obedient servant,

G. H. KING, *Secretary.*

The MANAGER OCEANIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
Bridge street, Sydney.